

## CITY OF ALAMO HEIGHTS

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### **ACTION TAKEN**

### **PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING**

Take notice that a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Alamo Heights, Texas will be held on Monday, the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008, in the Council Chambers, 6120 Broadway at **5:00 p.m.** to consider and act upon any lawful subjects which may come before it.

#### **At 5:00 p.m.**

1. Interview with citizens expressing an interest to serve on a City of Alamo Heights board or commission
  - a. David B. Brigham
  - b. John B. Hertz

#### **At 5:30 p.m.**

2. City Manager's Report

Richard Vasquez, representing H.E.B. stores, announced and invited everyone to attend the Helping Heroes Ceremony to take place September 11, 2008, 8am-9am, Alamo Heights Council Chambers, commemorating the men and women in uniform who gave their lives in the line of duty and on 9/11.

- Update related to possible state legislation for the addition of a fuel surcharge to the fees authorized to be assessed on traffic citations by municipalities – Cynthia Barr, Finance Director Ms. Barr reported that she attended a Texas Municipal League (TML) Policy Committee meeting on municipal revenue and taxation. The committee voted to initiate and seek passage of this legislation. TML has suggested to wait and see what happens with legislation and respond to any call for action during the legislative session. Ms. Barr will inform City Council of any such call.

#### **Citizens to be heard concerning items not listed on the agenda**

Councilwoman Souter requested a staff briefing concerning 308 Torcido at City Council's next meeting on September 8, 2008.

Staff Reports

3. Presentation by CPS Energy staff on the safety of electrical transformers – Shawn P. Eddy, Public Works Director CPS Energy staff, Albert Lara, Electrical Reliability Manager, and Doris Cooksey, Environmental Analyst, presented information on maintenance and safety of transformers. City Council members requested that CPS Energy provide city staff with additional information regarding how to visually identify pre-1977 transformers, history of transformer spills in Alamo Heights and PCB test results for the last five years, estimated cost to perform in-place PCB testing of transformers that are not labeled non-PCB, and information to provide citizens how to identify leaking transformers, and estimated cost to replace transformers.
4. Update on the 2008-2009 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) – Shawn P. Eddy, Public Works Director Councilwoman Souter requested staff provide an update on the proposed 100 year floodplain status with Federal Emergency Management Agency (F.E.M.A.). Staff will be communicating with residents concerning the E. Castano Ave. project.
5. Presentation on projected costs to fluoridate the City's water supply and possible discussion concerning future plans for fluoridation – Shawn P. Eddy, Public Works Director Councilman Kiel requested that staff place an item on the September 8, 2008 City Council meeting for discussion and possible consideration of an ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 1547 regarding fluoridation of the City's water supply.
6. Presentation of Financial and Investment Report for the fifth quarter ending June 30, 2008 – Cynthia Barr, Finance Director Postponed to September 8, 2008, City Council meeting.

Consent Items

7. Request by Alamo Heights Independent School District for the closure of Broadway from Townsend Avenue to Tuxedo Avenue from 4:00 p.m. to approximately 4:45 p.m. on September 24, 2008, for the annual "Howdy Parade" - Rick Pruitt, Police Chief (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**
8. Acceptance of an award of video surveillance equipment valued at \$11,400.00 to the Alamo Heights Police Department from the Commercial Equipment Direct Assistance Program – Rick Pruitt, Police Chief (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**

Items for Individual Consideration

9. Consideration of an Ordinance Ordering a Special Election in the City of Alamo Heights, Texas, to be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Day of November, 2008, for purpose of the adoption of a local sales and use tax in the City of Alamo Heights at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to provide revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets; Providing the Details Therefore and Providing for a Proclamation and Notice of Such Special Election – Denise Silva, City Secretary and Shawn P. Eddy, Public Works Director (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**
10. Consideration of a Request for a Demolition Permit for 638 Ogden Lane, by William Rotzler, owner, to demolish 100% of the existing one-story house for the purpose of providing a vacant lot on a property zoned Single Family – B – Ann McGlone, Community Development Director (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**
11. Consideration of a Request for a Demolition Permit for 532 Argo Avenue, by Russell Armstrong, owner, to demolish 100% roof and 32% exterior walls of the existing one-story house and 100% of the detached one-story garage for the purpose of constructing a new two-story house and a detached one-story garage on a property zoned Single Family – B – Ann McGlone, Community Development Director (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**



12. Consideration of a Resolution approving the Department of Community Development Policy related to Unexpected Conditions Encountered During Demolitions – Ann McGlone, Community Development Director (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**
13. Consideration of an Ordinance to amend Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances, Traffic, Article VI, Traffic Schedules, Section 18-147. Schedule B – “Stop Signs” to create a four-way stop intersection on Ogden Lane at Imlay / Acacia Streets – Rick Pruitt, Police Chief (Staff recommends approval) **APPROVED**
14. Consideration of a Ordinance adopting a new Fiscal and Budgetary Policy – Cynthia Barr, Finance Director (Staff recommends approval) **Postponed to September 8, 2008, City Council meeting.**